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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Project Director

SUBJECT

: Suggestions by Pilots for Modification and

Improvement of Equipment

1. During my recent visits to Detachments "A" and "B" pilots of both groups raised the question about what kind of follow-up is, or is not, being provided on suggestions which they make regarding improvements in the aircraft or their personal equipment. This was of particular interest to the pilots of Detachment "A" who stated emphatically they had written up a number of suggestions for improving such things as the oxygen regulating system and the method of packing survival equipment, and that these had been transmitted to Headquarters months ago but had never even been acknowledged.

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may have been the one in The pilots felt that Headquarters who received these suggestions but they were interested to know if there were a procedure by which their experience in the aircraft and modifications arising therefrom could not be capitalized some. I told them I would take the matter up with you upon my return and see if we could not establish an SOP for follow-up on comments and suggestions from the pilots on these matters. I would therefore appreciate you comments at your convenience.

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